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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 1, 2021, at 11 a.m.

House of Representatives

Wednesday, June 30, 2021

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following praver:

God our guide, we pray this day that You would go before us as we head into the business that awaits. And as we proceed, may we see Your hand in both the ordinary as well as the exceptional.

Reveal to us Your intent as we attend to the simple things and make us ever mindful that as inconsequential as they may seem, over even the least of these, You have authority.

Unveil Your will as we address the substantial items and remind us that through the significant decisions made by this body. You remain sovereign.

Make us keenly aware of Your claim on each and every Member of this House and those who labor alongside them in these hallowed Halls and beyond, that we all would be faithful in our service to You even as we serve the people.

Holy God, remain with us on the journey You have set before us. Never leave or forsake us. But abide with us as we seek to walk in obedience to You this day.

It is in the strength of Your name we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. WOMACK) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WOMACK led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God. indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

TRIBUTE TO ANDREA HARRIS

(Ms. ADAMS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ADAMS. Madam Speaker, I am honored today to stand on the floor of the House to honor the life of a cherished friend and extraordinary North Carolinian, Andrea L. Harris, a resident of Henderson, North Carolina, who passed away on May 20, 2020.

Her death leaves a tremendous void throughout our State, but her life's work is a lasting reminder of her courageous fight for civil and human rights, social justice, and building Black wealth.

A bold voice of reason for the underrepresented, her work helped improve the quality of life for so many.

A proud alumna of Bennett College, an advocate for HBCUs, a shero for Black businesses, this "mother of minority enterprise" was always about making good trouble.

She cofounded the North Carolina Institute for Minority Economic Development, serving as president for more than two decades.

Andrea L. Harris made our State, our community, and our world much better than she found it and fulfilled the Scripture in Psalms 84:10, which says: "Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked."

Rest in peace, my friend. Andrea, we love and miss you.

REQUEST TO CONSIDER H.R. 18, NO TAXPAYER FUNDING FOR ABOR-TION ACT

(Mr. GRIFFITH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, the Hyde amendment respects the deeply held beliefs of pro-life people like me by not spending our tax dollars to pay for abortions.

But support for the Hyde amendment goes beyond the pro-life community. It has enjoyed broad bipartisan support during most of its 45-year history, previously including the current Democrat in the Oval Office.

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